

2010 Central Coast Pinot Noir

WINEMAKER COMMENTS

The ripe fruit offers an amazing aromatic nose of black cherries, rose petal and nutmeg. The vivid cherry/strawberry aromas, with a hint of truffle, spice, ripe plums, cardamom, toffee and cola, are classic to this vineyard site. Your mouth will water with flavors of wild cherries, pomegranates, sassafras, fennel and white truffles. I find that the balanced acidity helps to carry the rich and round tannins that follow through long into the finish.

—Winemaker Bob Cabral

THE VINEYARDS

100% Estate Vista Verde Vineyard, located a couple miles south-east of Hollister, California, near the small town of Tres Pinos in San Benito County. This heavy limestone vineyard is separated into nine blocks that include clones such as Pommard, Calera, Canada, 667, Mt. Eden, and Swan.

HARVEST 2010

The 2010 vintage produced wines reflective of each individual vineyard site and appellation with concentrated aromas, rich fruit flavors, nicely balanced acidity and supple tannin structure. The hallmark of the 2010 vintage is one of extremes; between cool, early season temperatures and extreme late season heat, wines of tremendous character were made through careful attention to detail.

TECHNICAL NOTES

Barrel Description: 35% new, 35% 1 year old, 30% 2 year old

Barrel Aged: 11 months

pH: 3.49

TA: 0.64g/100ml

Alc: 13.8%

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